

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1817 without my signature.

This bill attempts inappropriately to modify the process by which the Governor makes deputy chancellor and vice chancellor appointments to the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. The Board of Governors already provides input and recommendation for appointments prior to the Governor's decision on those appointees. Changing this process would weaken the Governor's ability to effectively administer state agencies in the Executive Branch.

Therefore, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger